micro irrigation and enhancing the sustainability of dry-land/rainfed farming system;

(vii) reforming agricultural markets and widespread use of post harvest technology; and (viii) putting in place an appropriate risk management apparatus for farmers.

(c) The Macro Management of Agriculture scheme was launched in 2001. Under this Scheme, the States have been given flexibility to develop and pursue activities on the basis of their regional priorities. Under this scheme, assistance is provided for various inputs and training of farmers/ extension workers as well as supply of critical inputs like seeds, sprayers and water saving devices like sprinklers and drip systems, Production of breeder seed, foundation seed and certified seed, crash programme for quality seed production, distribution of certified seed, and minikits. Under this scheme, the States are encouraged to include new interventions and best farm practices.

The allocation and utilization of funds under the scheme in Andhra Pradesh during 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06 are shown below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Allocation	Utilization
2003-04	3400.00	3279.20
2004-05	3600.00	3712.18
2005-06	3300.00	–

(d) As on 31.03.2005, 1.11 lakh hectares under drip irrigation and 0.84 lakh hectares under sprinkler irrigation have been covered in Andhra Pradesh.

Rural industries set up by Khadi Gramodyog Commission

2911. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rural industries set up in the villages by the Khadi Gramodyog Commission and the number of persons employed therein, State-wise and particularly in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the number of registered rural industries/units, State-wise;

(c) the present conditions of these industries as well as the number of industries earning profits and suffering losses out of them, State-wise;

(d) whether there is any scheme to provide assistance to the loss-making industries; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) does not set up village industry (VI) units of its own. VI units are set up under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) by eligible entrepreneurs in various parts of the country, including Andhra Pradesh. For this purpose, margin money assistance is provided to the entrepreneurs by the Government through the KVIC and loans are made available by banks. The State-wise details of the VI units set up and additional employment generated under the REGP upto 31 March 2006 (Provisional) since its inception in April 1995 are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) The State-wise details of the present financial status of individual or groups of units of these industries is not maintained centrally. In fact, the efforts involved in regular compilation of such detailed country-wise data, are not commensurate with the likely benefits.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Statement

State/Union Territory-wise details of projects established and employment opportunities created under REGP since its commencement from 01 *April*, 1995 *and up to* 31.03.2006

Sl.No.	States/Union Territories	Projects set up* (number)	Employment* (number of persons)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	17134	334521
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	498	8192
3.	Assam	6094	105982
4.	Bihar	1792	27210
5.	Goa	2572	24029

Sl.No.	States/Union Territories	Projects set up* (number)	Employment* (number of persons)
6.	Gujarat	1860	29340
7.	Haryana	7307	167531
8.	Himachal Pradesh	3009	69428
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	8958	77846
10.	Karnataka	15407	203159
11.	Kerala	10614	181605
12.	Madhya Pradesh	20651	232801
13.	Maharashtra	23433	233106
14.	Manipur	905	16171
15.	Meghalaya	3499	20767
16.	Mizoram	1435	29126
17.	Nagaland	5257	99264
18.	Orissa	4737	57175
19	Punjab	10862	161427
20	Rajasthan	29520	370147
21	Sikkim	358	7322
22.	Tamil Nadu	7723	105292
23.	Tripura	972	20016
24.	Uttar Pradesh	18966	367287
25.	West Bengal	21844	204777
26.	Andaman and Nicobar	1020	7213
27.	Chandigarh	159	1331
28.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	15	303
29.	Delhi	241	4782
30.	Lakshadweep	36	465
31.	Pondicherry	992	12687
32.	Chhattisgarh	2289	61147
33.	Jharkhand	1275	25321
34.	Uttaranchal	2776	49330
	TOTAL:	234210	3316100

* Provisional